## BALLOT ACCESS CHECKLIST FOR 2018 JUDICIAL CANDIDATES



Each of the following forms must be completed and filed on time by a candidate for judicial office in order for the candidate's name to be placed on the ballot at the **February 20, 2018 Spring Primary** and the **April 3, 2018 Spring Election**.

Register your campaign committee online with the Wisconsin Ethics Commission. A current registration must be filed with the Wisconsin Ethics Commission by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, January 2, 2018 or the candidate's name will not be placed on the ballot. If the form is faxed or emailed, the original document must follow postmarked no later than January 2, 2018. Wis. Stat. §§ 8.10(5), 8.30(2), Wis. Admin. Code EL § 6.04.

## New candidates

Register at <a href="http://cfis.wi.gov/Public/Registration.aspx?page=Candidate">http://cfis.wi.gov/Public/Registration.aspx?page=Candidate</a> before campaign funds are collected or spent or before submitting nomination papers. §§ 11.0202(1)(a), 11.0202(2)(a). Print, sign and mail the Campaign Registration Statement form to the Wisconsin Ethics Commission, P.O. Box 7984, Madison, WI 53707-7984

## Continuing candidates

Amend your current registration, indicating the office sought and the new primary and election dates, at <a href="http://cfis.wi.gov/Login.aspx">http://cfis.wi.gov/Login.aspx</a>. Please log in by entering your username (your 7-digit ETHCF ID number beginning with "0") and the password emailed to you when you originally registered. (No hard copy form is required.) If you do not have or do not know your username or password, please contact the Ethics Commission at 608-261-2028.

Complete and submit a Declaration of Candidacy (Form EL-162) to the Wisconsin Elections Commission (WEC). The Declaration of Candidacy form must be received in the WEC office no later than 5 p.m. on Tuesday, January 2, 2018 or the candidate's name will not be placed on the ballot. If the form is faxed or emailed, the original document must follow, postmarked no later than January 2, 2018. Wis. Stat. §§ 8.10(5), 8.21, 8.30(4), Wis. Admin. Code EL § 6.04.

Circulate and submit Nomination Paper for Nonpartisan Office (Form EL-169) to the Wisconsin Elections Commission (WEC). Original nomination papers (no photocopies, faxes, or emailed documents) must be received in the WEC office no later than 5 p.m. on Tuesday, January 2, 2018. Nomination papers may not be circulated before December 1, 2017. Wis. Stat. § 8.10(2), Wis. Admin. Code EL § 6.04(2).

The number of signatures required is as follows:

Justice of the Supreme Court	2,000 - 4,000
Court of Appeals Judge	1,000 - 2,000
Circuit Court Judge - Milwaukee	1,000 - 2,000
Circuit Court Judge - All Others	200 - 400

Complete and submit a Statement of Economic Interests (SEI) to the Wisconsin Ethics Commission office no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, January 5, 2018, or the candidate's name will not appear on the ballot. Wis. Stat. §§ 8.10(5), 8.30(3), 19.43(4). Faxed forms are acceptable. Before December 1, 2017, the Ethics Commission will mail Statement of Economic Interests forms to each incumbent whose office is up for election. After December 1, 2017, a candidate may print the Statement of Economic Interests form and instructions from the Ethics Commission website (http://ethics.wi.gov)

For further information or to obtain any of the necessary forms, please contact the Wisconsin Elections Commission.